

## WORK NEARLY DONE

PYTHIAN GRAND LODGE WILL LEAVE WICHITA TONIGHT

This, however, will be the last day of the session for a genuine social time—the program of entertainment offers many inducements to visitors—Officers Elected for both the Grand Lodge and the Temple—Fort Scott Selected for the Next Place of Meeting—Grand Lodge Thanks the People of Wichita.

This will be the last day of the session of the grand lodge knights of Pythias of Kansas, in the city, and all regret that such a splendid lot of ladies and gentlemen could not remain several days longer. They have felt at home here all the time and they, too, are sorry that they could not remain longer. It was not hard for them to get acquainted with the good people of Wichita, nor was it hard for the latter to get acquainted with the visitors. If a single lady or gentleman is going home with any grievance against Wichita no reporter of this paper has heard of it.

The grand lodge will hold its next annual meeting at Fort Scott, and there will doubtless be a splendid time there. The people of that city are broad minded and hospitable and will give their knightly visitors a warm welcome next year. Nearly all the boys, however, said last night that they would sooner by far come to Wichita than any other town in the state, and they regretted that the great lodge could not very consistently meet here every year.

The program today will be one of entertainment almost exclusively. It will embrace the following features:

9 a. m. Grand lodge session at Garfield hall.

Between 2 and 4 p. m. an exhibition run will be made by the Wichita fire department on Douglas avenue and Main street, and all persons with horses or carriages will please keep off these streets at that time.

8 p. m. Farewell reception, novelty exhibition drill and ball, will be given at the Auditorium. All knights in full uniform and their ladies will be admitted free. Admission to the balcony 50c; to the lower floor, 50c; ladies with escort free. Tickets for admission can only be obtained from the committee having the entertainment in charge. Music by Shaw's full orchestra.

The above is the printed program, but it is unnecessary to say that it includes all the means of entertainment visitors can find. The promises held out to the visitors at the start still hold good. "If you don't see what you want, ask for it."

The principal, and it might be said the only business of the grand lodge yesterday, was the election of officers and the selection of the next place of meeting. The latter went to Fort Scott, and the time will be the third week in May, 1898.

The officers elected are as follows:

Grand Chancellor—W. A. S. Bird, Topeka.

Grand Vice Chancellor—J. W. Swartzel, Parsons.

Grand Preceptor—J. A. Elton, Kingman.

Grand Master of Excuse—A. C. Jones, Wichita.

Grand Master of Arms—J. T. Creighton, Leavenworth.

Grand Keeper of Records and Seal—Gus Neubert, Kansas City, Kan.

Grand Inner Guard—W. J. Duval, of Hutchinson.

Outside Guard—G. D. Keefer, Abilene.

Representative to the Grand Lodge—L. M. Halliwell, Wichita.

There was a hot contest, but friendly, of course, between several candidates for several places, but defeat in each instance was accepted with the utmost philosophy.

Before adjourning last night the grand lodge passed the following resolution:

"Resolved, That the grand lodge knights of Pythias of the domain of Kansas, hereby extends its hearty and unanimous vote of thanks to the subordinate lodges of the city of Wichita, the members of Wichita Division of the uniform rank K. of P., the Temple of Rathbone Sisters, the board of trade, business men and citizens of Wichita generally, for the solicited care, and kindly interest in our welfare during the stay of this grand lodge, and other visitors and their ladies."

One of the executive committee was to donate a ten dollar bill to Mr. Plummer, janitor of Garfield hall, as a token of their appreciation of his efficiency in taking care of the hall and seeing to the comfort of the members of the grand lodge.

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## NEW MILL TO START

HIRAM IMBODEN LETS THE CONTRACT FOR MACHINERY.

Building Contract Will be Let Within the Next Few Days to Local Contractors—The Location Will be on the Corner of English and Fifth Avenue—Capacity of the New Mill Will be Between Two and Three Hundred Barrels of Flour Per Day—Building Will be Three Stories High With Basement.

Mr. Hiram Imboden, who has for so many years been associated with the City Mills, yesterday let the contract for a new mill and elevator which will be erected at a cost of \$25,000.

Mr. Imboden has been contemplating erecting a large mill for some months. He made the first steps yesterday by awarding the contract for the machinery and the power plant to the Great Western Manufacturing company of Leavenworth. This company is one of the foremost mill building establishments in the United States and is a western enterprise.

The new mill and elevator will be erected on the corner of English and Fifth avenue. The work on the plant will commence in the near future. Mr. Imboden has not as yet let the contract on the building, but it will be given to local contractors within the next few days. As soon as he can obtain the figures from the contractors it will be given out. It is expected that the mill will be finished within the next three or four months, in time for the fall crop. The building will be three stories in height with a basement. A Colias engine will be used and all the latest improved mill machinery will be put in.

Ample provisions have been made to increase the capacity of the plant should it be found necessary to do so.

The capacity of the new mill will be between 200 and 250 barrels of flour daily, and one hundred barrels of meal per day. This can be materially increased when the demand will warrant it. An elevator with a capacity of 10,000 bushels will be a part of the mill building and will allow Mr. Imboden to keep on hand a quantity of grain at all times. The mill will be able to handle 1,000 bushels per hour, which is a greater handling capacity than any like property in the southwest.

Besides the mill and elevator building already mentioned, a warehouse for the storage of flour will be erected. This warehouse will be adjacent to the mill building alongside the Santa Fe track. It will have a storage capacity of 5,000 barrels of flour.

Mr. Imboden is a thorough and competent mill man, having been in the business for the past thirty years. He has been in the business in this city for the past twenty-three years. He has for the last few years been the lessee of the City Mills. Mr. Imboden has now decided to erect a new plant with all modern improvements, and with his long experience, make a decided success of the venture.

THEIR JOKE MADE A HIT

Charles Clark and Tom Kelly Have a Fake Picture Taken Yesterday.

Yesterday afternoon just prior to the K. of P. parade, handsome Charles Clark, one of our town boys, and genial Tom Kelly, the fine baritone singer of the big show, were coming up Douglas avenue, dressed in the height of fashion. When they got in front of the Eagle office, John Noble said, "Stop, boys, and have your pictures taken. He had a kodak in his hands and was making preparations to take a photograph of the parade. Standing on the curb was a rubber-knuck fellow with his wife. Mr. Clark stepped up to them and said: "We are about to have our pictures taken; won't you join the group?" The couple, which, by the way, were past middle age, quickly acquiesced. Clark took off his hat, placed it against his breast and looked arms with the man, while Mr. Kelly took his hat off and leaned his right arm on the woman's shoulder. In this position Mr. Noble pretended to take the picture. It was a very comical sight and attracted about two hundred people who shook with laughter at the joke which was being perpetrated.

The man, just before they got in position, addressed his wife, saying: "Mary, get your picture taken." They were oblivious of the jibe, tears and laughter of the crowd. Clark and Kelly are always on the lookout to perpetrate a joke and they enjoyed it more yesterday than any one in the crowd, although they were a party to it.

Ed Donnelly of Guthrie is in the city, participating in the Pythian festivities.

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